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INasmuch as our weak and tender Sex is despised, our sufferings insupportable, and our *Virginity* suspected, and we lye grunting, under the sad and heavy pressure of a dry and withered *RUMP*, which hath neither moisture to *quicken*

ken us, or *heat to warm us*; and that we are helpleſs, and hopeleſs of any increaſe or multiplying by the ſad diſtempers of ſuch infirme Members: And whereas we have ſeen and obſerved, to the wounding of our innocency, the many ſeveral preparations from ſeveral Counties, to undermine us, and the Three *Raſcal* Nations, and from the cheif *Mariposian* it ſelf; yea, alſo from thoſe pretty well favoured Boyes in the ſame, who were ſo cruelly diſrobed of their outward covering, which modeſty requires and commands us to be ſilent in; being Eye-witneſſes of thoſe hopeful, yet ſad aſpects, which we beheld, that were then ſhrunk up like to Diſh-clouts, unfit for uſe, or giving content, through the extremity of the ſeaſon. Though we longed ſore to put life in them, the violence of thoſe rude Souldiers, not conſidering or having any regard to our tender condition, We therefore out of a tender care of our ſelves, and the raiſing up of our fortunes, have thought it fit and convenient to Declare, alſo to the World, the ſence and feeling of our *wantonneſs*, as others have done before us, and do Declare. Firſt,

That we will not be Clipt, Kiſt, Cull'd, *or* Felt, *by any Single Perſon whatſoever, whether a Kin, or handſom Lobſter, knowing that it will be dangerous to ſome, and to the Common healths of our* Plackets, *under which, our* Virginity *hath its well or ill being.*

In order unto which we declare alſo, That the *common healths of our Plackets* ſhall be covered by a ſtock, which we will maintain in a *ſtanding poſture*, to ſuppreſs all, as well forreign boyes, as home-bred, who

who are alwayes crying out for this thing or that thing, yet never have a will to do any thing.

Also we Declare to maintain and uphold Universalities of Scolds, and Nurses of Children, to bring up our Bantlings in humane learning, when they are got by such Parents as we would, that none should know them, nor they them.

Also we Declare that the *Male-issue* be put into good hands, wherein we may confide, and that all the *Male-issue* may be kept in a standing posture, considering the many and potent enemies of a Malignant party that hinders our Teeming.

Also we Declare, That we will admit of a tollleration in our Region, that those whose desire is weak and tender, may have their choise to lye by a *Red man*, a *Brown man*, a *Pale man*, a *Black man*, a *Flaxen-hair man*, a *Fat man*, a *Lean man*, a *Tall man*, a *Short man*, an *Old man*, or a *Young man*; provided they be not too superstitious, nor too rigid.

And because it is convenient that those that serve in our Pulpits should be countenanced in the Act, and a due regard should be had to their labours; We Declare, That such who serve us with their Corporal Seed, at any time whatsoever, shall have for their maintenance and support, the first Begotten of the Females, and the tenth of the

Males;

Males; But as for such Drones that are idle in their Occupation, and do not put themselves forward in it; They, and all such, shall be looked upon as hinderers of Multiplication, and lose all their labour, and be turned out as *Vermin*.

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The Postscript.

BEcause many times our Sex doth swell, and grow big, under the heavy weight and pressure of our Masters, whom we serve under; and when by reason of our Ripeness our Account is come to an end, and we are forced to declare by whom it is begot, and from whom descended; our desire is That it may not be turned off from the Master, who is the Author, as many times it is, and put upon the Servants back for a little lucre; but let the Saddle be put upon the right Horse, that we which are the weakest may not be thrust to the Wall, and the poor fellow lose his inheritance.

Also our desire is, That our Sex may not hereafter lye under our Masters Beds, in Trundle-beds, that we may know their meaning by their Gaping.

FINIS.